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Title

PLASTIC PRODUCTS WITH HIGH STRENGTH

AND FLEXIBILITY

Group Art Unit

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Office Action dated June 6, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application.

The Examiner has requested election and restriction between Group I, including claims 30-36 and 56, covering a plastic; and Group II, including claims 37-55, covering a process for the production of a plastics product.

The Examiner is also requesting an election between the following species: (i) an extrusion process covered by claims 38-45 and 53-55, and (ii) a sintering process covered by claims 46-52. The Examiner considers claims 37 and 53 to be generic. This election of species relates to the claims in Group II only.

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Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, with traverse, and reserve the right to file a divisional application or take such other appropriate measure as they deem necessary to protect their inventions lying within Group II and Species (i) and (ii). Since Applicants have elected Group I, no election of species is required.

Examination and allowance of claims 30-36 and 56 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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